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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—34)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 20, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$2573.)

# Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

# APPROPRIATIONS—SEC

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Securities and Exchange Commission, receiving testimony from Arthur Levitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

# APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held closed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for defense intelligence programs, receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Acting Director, and Nora Slakin, Executive Director, both of the Central Intelligence Agency; and Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Gen. Kenneth A. Minihan, USAF, Director, National Security Agency, and Keith R. Hall, Acting Director, National Reconnaissance Office, all of the Department of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, April 9.

# **DEFENSE ACQUISITION**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings to examine the status of acquisition reform in the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from Paul G. Kaminski, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology; John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Lt. Gen. George Muellner, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; Kenneth Oscar, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Procurement; Thomas J. Madden, Venable, Baetjer, Howard, and Civiletti, and Karen L. Wilson, Allied Signal, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; John Delane, DELJEN, Inc., Rolling Hills Es-

tates, California; and Bert M. Concklin, Professional Services Council, Vienna, Virginia.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

#### **AUTHORIZATION—MILITARY READINESS**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on military readiness accounts, receiving testimony from Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Braaten, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Programs and Resources, Headquarters Marine Corps; Rear Adm. James S. Amerault, USN, Director, Office of Budget/Fiscal Management Division; Maj. Gen. Roger G. Thompson, Jr., USA, Director of Army Budget, Office of Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management; and Maj. Gen. George T. Stringer, USAF, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget, Office of Assistant Secretary of the Air Force/Financial Management Comptroller.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

### **AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

#### **AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy weapons programs, receiving testimony from Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary, Defense Program, Department of Defense; Gen. Eugene E. Habiger, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Strategic Command; Sigfried S. Hecker, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, C. Paul Robinson, President, Sandia National Laboratories, and Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, all of the Department of Energy; Ambrose Schwallie, Westinghouse/Savannah River Corporation, Aiken, South Carolina; Karen K. Clegg, Allied Signal, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri; F.P. Gustavson, Lockheed Martin Energy Systems, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; and William Weinreich, Mason Hanger/Pantex Plant, Amarillo,

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

#### 1998 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee met to discuss certain functions of the proposed fiscal year 1998 budget resolution.

Committee recessed subject to call.

#### PRO-CODE ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings on S. 377, to promote electronic commerce by facilitating the use of strong encryption, receiving testimony from Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; William P. Crowell, Deputy Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense; William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce; David L. Aaron, United States Permanent Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development; James Barksdale, Netscape Communications, Inc., Mountain View, California; Edward J. Black, Computer Communications Industry Association, Washington, D.C.; and Joseph R. Kretz, FMC Corporation, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

#### UNIVERSAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications held hearings to examine the Federal Communications Commission implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, focusing on efforts to implement universal telephone service reform and FCC proposals to assess new per-minute fees on Internet service providers, receiving testimony from Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.; Jay Kitchen, Personal Communications Industry Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Joan Mandeville, Montana Telephone Association, Great Falls; and Donn Wonnell, Pacific Telcom, Inc., Vancouver, Washington.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

# AUTHORIZATION—SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, focusing on environmental programs and statewide and metropolitan planning, receiving testimony from Jane F. Garvey, Acting Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; David M. Gardiner, Assistant Administrator for Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency; Thomas Walker, Wisconsin Road Builders Association, Madison, on behalf of the American Road and Transportation Builders Association; Hal Hiemstra,

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, Meg Maguire, Scenic America, and Hank Dittmar, Surface Transportation Policy Project, all of Washington, D.C.; Leon S. Kenison, New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Concord; Lawrence D. Dahms, Oakland Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Oakland, California; M. Michael Cooke, Board of Douglas County Commissioners, Castle Rock, Colorado; Guillermo V. Vidal, Colorado Department of Transportation, Denver; and Timothy S. Stowe, Anderson and Associates, Blacksburg, Virginia, on behalf of the American Consulting Engineers Council.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

#### **MEDICARE CHOICES**

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine proposals to improve choices under the Medicare program, receiving testimony from Bruce C. Vladeck, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael J. Thompson, Price Waterhouse, on behalf of the American Academy of Actuaries, and Diane Archer, Medicare Rights Center, both of New York, New York; and Mary Lou Martin, Blue Cross of California, Long Beach, on behalf of the Health Insurance Association of America and the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services: Senators Cochran (Chair), Stevens, Collins, Domenici, Nickles, Specter, Levin, Akaka, Durbin, Torricelli, and Cleland.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia: Senators Brownback (Chair), Roth, Specter, Lieberman, and Cleland.

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Collins (Chair), Roth, Stevens, Brownback, Domenici, Cochran, Nickles, Specter, Glenn, Levin, Lieberman, Akaka, Durbin, Torricelli, and Cleland.

#### JUVENILE CRIME

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine efforts by private individuals, community organizations, and religious groups to prevent juvenile crime, after receiving testimony from Steve Young, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the Sport, Education & Values Foundation; Kery Oldroyd and Amador Guzman, both of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Salt Lake, Salt Lake City, Utah; Rev. Jeffrey L. Brown, Union Baptist Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on behalf of the

Ten Point Coalition of Boston; Mary Lyman Jackson, Exodus Youth Services, Inc., Gaithersburg, Maryland; and Father Joseph Del Vecchio, Archdiocese of Washington, Washington, D.C.

### **INTERNET CRIMES**

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the scope of Internet crimes affecting consumers and the Federal response, after receiving testimony from Senator Leahy; Robert S. Litt, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, and Charles L. Owens, Chief, Financial Crimes Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice; Michael C. Stenger, Special Agent in Charge, Financial Crimes Division, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; and Wisconsin Attorney General James E. Doyle, Madison.

#### FDA REFORM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings on proposals to reform the performance, efficiency, and use of resources of the Food and Drug Administration, receiving testimony from Michael A. Friedman, Lead Deputy Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for Operations, D. Bruce Burlington, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Fred R. Shank, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Stephen F. Sundlof, Director, Center for Veterinary Medicine, Janet Woodcock, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, and Kathryn C. Zoon, Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, all of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.